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**President of the National Assembly:
Mr. François Paradis**

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(1) Bill 30

An Act to recover amounts owed to the State

Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Government Administration and
Chair of the Conseil du trésor on **14 June 2019**

(2) Bill 49

An Act to amend the Act respecting elections and referendums in
municipalities, the Municipal Ethics and Good Conduct Act and various
legislative provisions

Introduced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing on
13 November 2019

(3) Bill 61

An Act to restart Québec's economy and to mitigate the consequences of the
public health emergency declared on 13 March 2020 because of the
COVID-19 pandemic

Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Government Administration and
Chair of the Conseil du trésor on 3 June 2020

Report from the Committee on Public Finance (consultations) tabled on
11 June 2020

Resuming the debate adjourned in the name of the Member for La Pinière on
12 June 2020

- (4) Bill 78
An Act mainly to improve the transparency of enterprises
Introduced by the Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Solidarity on
8 December 2020
Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (consultations)
tabled on **9 March 2021**
- (5) Bill 79
An Act to authorize the communication of personal information to the
families of Indigenous children who went missing or died after being admitted
to an institution
Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Indigenous Affairs on
9 December 2020
- (6) Bill 83
An Act respecting mainly the health insurance plan and prescription drug
insurance plan eligibility of certain children whose parents' migratory status
is precarious
Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services on **10 December
2020**
- (7) Bill 86
An Act respecting the demise of the Crown
Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Canadian Relations and the
Canadian Francophonie on **11 March 2021**
- (8) Bill 88
An Act to amend the Act respecting the conservation and development of
wildlife and other legislative provisions
Introduced by the Minister of Forests, Wildlife and Parks on **11 March 2021**

Committee Stage

(9) Bill 23

An Act respecting the names and responsibilities of certain ministers and government departments and to enact the Act respecting the Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs

Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Government Administration and Chair of the Conseil du trésor on 18 April 2019

Passed in principle on **19 September 2019**, and

Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(10) Bill 39

An Act to establish a new electoral system

Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Democratic Institutions, Electoral Reform and Access to Information on 25 September 2019

Report from the Committee on Institutions (consultations) tabled on 11 February 2020

Passed in principle on **8 October 2020**, and

Referred to the Committee on Institutions

(11) Bill 59

An Act to modernize the occupational health and safety regime

Introduced by the Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Solidarity on 27 October 2020

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (consultations) tabled on 2 February 2021

Passed in principle on **16 February 2021**, and

Referred to the Committee on Labour and the Economy

(12) Bill 60

An Act to amend the Public Service Act and other provisions

Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Government Administration and Chair of the Conseil du trésor on 12 June 2020

Report from the Committee on Public Finance (consultations) tabled on 17 February 2021

Passed in principle on **9 March 2021**, and

Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(13) Bill 64

An Act to modernize legislative provisions as regards the protection of personal information

Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Democratic Institutions, Electoral Reform and Access to Information on 12 June 2020, and

Report from the Committee on Institutions (consultations) tabled on 30 September 2020

Passed in principle on **20 October 2020**, and

Referred to the Committee on Institutions

(14) Bill 74

An Act to give effect to fiscal measures announced in the Budget Speech delivered on 10 March 2020 and to certain other measures

Introduced by the Minister of Finance on 2 December 2020

Passed in principle on **2 February 2021**, and

Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(15) Bill 82

An Act respecting mainly the implementation of certain provisions of the Budget Speech of 10 March 2020

Introduced by the Minister of Finance on 11 December 2020

Passed in principle on **17 February 2021**, and

Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(16) Bill 84*

An Act to assist persons who are victims of criminal offences and to facilitate their recovery

Introduced by the Minister of Justice on 10 December 2020

Report from the Committee on Institutions (consultations) tabled on 2 February 2021

Passed in principle on **4 February 2021**, and

Referred to the Committee on Institutions

*** Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor**

Report Stage

Passage

(17) Bill 69

An Act to amend the Cultural Heritage Act and other legislative provisions
Introduced by the Minister of Culture and Communications on 29 October
2020

Report from the Committee on Culture and Education (consultations) tabled
on 1 December 2020

Passed in principle on 8 December 2020

Report from the Committee on Culture and Education concurred in on
24 March 2021

(18) Bill 85

An Act to facilitate the conduct of the 7 November 2021 municipal general
election in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic

Introduced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing on
10 February 2021

Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain
(consultations) tabled on 11 March 2021

Passed in principle on 16 March 2021

Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain concurred in
on **24 March 2021**

II. Private Members' Public Bills

Passage in Principle

(19) Bill 190

An Act to exclude child support payments from income calculation under
various social laws

Introduced by the Member for Sherbrooke on **7 December 2018**

(20) Bill 191

An Act to amend the Act respecting the National Assembly to prescribe the
publication of information on the use of the amounts granted to Members in
the performance of their duties

Introduced by the Member for Gouin on **6 December 2018**

- (21) Bill 192
An Act to recognize the Members' oath to the people of Québec as the sole oath required for Members to take office
Introduced by the Member for Jean-Lesage on **28 February 2019**
- (22) Bill 193
An Act to establish a budgetary shield to protect education, child and youth protection services
Introduced by the Member for Joliette on **7 February 2019**
- (23) Bill 194
An Act to ensure compliance with Québec's climate change-related obligations
Introduced by the Member for Jonquière on **21 February 2019**
- (24) Bill 195
An Act to amend the Act respecting the National Assembly to extend the scope of the right to payment of expenses for counsel
Introduced by the Member for Chomedey on **11 April 2019**
- (25) Bill 196
An Act to amend the Act respecting safety in sports to establish a Passe-Sports register to collect data on the state of health of persons under 18 years of age following a concussion
Introduced by the Member for Marquette on **11 April 2019**
- (26) Bill 197
An Act to amend the Consumer Protection Act to fight planned obsolescence and assert the right to repair goods
Introduced by the Member for Chomedey on 9 April 2019
Resuming the debate adjourned on **24 March 2021**
- (27) Bill 198
An Act to facilitate disclosure of wrongdoings
Introduced by the Member for Rosemont on **9 May 2019**

(28) Bill 199

An Act to amend the Environment Quality Act to establish a right of citizen initiative in environmental matters and reinforce the powers and independence of the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement
Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **25 September 2019**

(29) Bill 391

An Act to amend the Environment Quality Act in order to assert the primacy of Québec's jurisdiction in this area
Introduced by the Member for Jonquière on **30 May 2019**

(30) Bill 392

An Act respecting the selection of Québec senators
Introduced by the Member for Marie-Victorin on **9 May 2019**

(31) Bill 393

An Act to affirm Québec's participation in the appointment process for Québec Supreme Court of Canada judges
Introduced by the Member for Marie-Victorin on **16 May 2019**

(32) Bill 396

An Act to amend the Civil Code to provide that an action for damages for bodily injury resulting from a sexual aggression, from childhood violence or from the violent behaviour of a spouse or former spouse cannot be prescribed during the lifetime of the author of the act
Introduced by the Member for Sherbrooke on **12 June 2019**

(33) Bill 397

An Act to reinforce oversight of the processes to select, renew a term of or dismiss directors of municipal police forces
Introduced by the Member for Vaudreuil on **14 November 2019**

(34) Bill 398

An Act to proclaim Québec Democracy Day
Introduced by the Member for Marie-Victorin on **20 February 2020**

- (35) Bill 399
An Act to establish a presumption of consent to organ or tissue donation after death
Introduced by the Member for Pontiac on **5 November 2019**
- (36) Bill 490
An Act to establish the gradual electrification of Québec's vehicle fleet
Introduced by the Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on
26 September 2019
- (37) Bill 491
An Act to combat food waste
Introduced by the Member for Rouyn-Noranda–Témiscamingue on
12 November 2020
- (38) Bill 492
Right-to-Disconnect Act
Introduced by the Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve on **3 June 2020**
- (39) Bill 493
Interculturalism Act
Introduced by the Member for Marie-Victorin on **30 October 2019**
- (40) Bill 495
An Act to authorize the recording of sound and images during the public sittings of a municipal council or the public meetings of a council of a metropolitan community
Introduced by the Member for Verdun on **20 November 2019**
- (41) Bill 496
Parliamentary Budget Officer Act
Introduced by the Member for Rosemont on **14 November 2019**
- (42) Bill 497
An Act to amend the Charter of human rights and freedoms in order to strengthen the protection of seniors' rights and create the office of Seniors Ombudsperson
Introduced by the Member for Rimouski on **4 December 2019**

- (43) Bill 590
An Act to amend the Charter of the French language to establish free French instruction services for every person who resides in Québec
Introduced by the Member for Jacques-Cartier on **4 December 2019**
- (44) Bill 591
An Act to amend the Charter of the French language to define the circumstances under which an employer may make knowledge of a language other than the official language a requirement for access to employment or a position
Introduced by the Member for Matane-Matapédia on **12 February 2020**
- (45) Bill 594
An Act to improve the quality of care through the setting of ratios in certain institutions governed by the Act respecting health services and social services
Introduced by the Member for Pontiac on **26 May 2020**
- (46) Bill 595
An Act to create the Rent Register
Introduced by the Member for Laurier-Dorion on **4 June 2020**
- (47) Bill 596
An Act to establish Pharma-Québec
Introduced by the Member for Jean-Lesage on **15 September 2020**
- (48) Bill 597
An Act to improve support offered to entrepreneurs and farmers in relation to mental health
Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on **10 June 2020**
- (49) Bill 598
An Act to authorize the holder of a restaurant sales liquor permit to sell, for takeout or delivery, spirit-based alcoholic beverages
Introduced by the Member for Marie-Victorin on **12 June 2020**
- (50) Bill 599
An Act to respect sexual orientation and gender identity
Introduced by the Member for Westmount–Saint-Louis on **22 September 2020**

- (51) Bill 690
An Act to amend the Charter of the French language to specify that it applies to private enterprises operating in an area of federal jurisdiction
Introduced by the Member for Jean-Lesage on **24 September 2020**
- (52) Bill 691
An Act to amend the Act respecting the Ministère des Transports to maintain air transportation services in certain regions of Québec
Introduced by the Member for Mont-Royal–Outremont on
30 September 2020
- (53) Bill 692
An Act to amend the Act respecting safety in sports to prohibit fighting in sports activities in which persons under 18 years of age participate
Introduced by the Member for Marquette on **21 October 2020**
- (54) Bill 693
An Act to amend the Election Act to prevent and fight sexual violence in the context of political activities
Introduced by the Member for Marie-Victorin on **22 October 2020**
- (55) Bill 695
An Act to set a standard for the maximum concentration of manganese in drinking water
Introduced by the Member for Vaudreuil on **9 December 2020**
- (56) Bill 696
An Act providing for the temporary suspension of the right to increase the rent for a lease of a dwelling
Introduced by the Member for Laurier-Dorion on **10 February 2021**
- (57) Bill 697
An Act to promote the disclosure of wrongdoings and strengthen the protection of whistleblowers
Introduced by the Member for Jonquière on **17 March 2021**

(58)Bill 698

An Act to temporarily limit the charges that restaurateurs may be required to pay for online order services and meal delivery services
Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on **18 February 2021**

Committee Stage

Report Stage

Passage

III. Private Bills

Hearings and Clause-by-Clause Consideration

(59)Bill 209

An Act respecting Ville de Saint-Tite
Introduced by the Member for Maskinongé on **4 December 2019**, and
Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(60)Bill 214

An Act respecting Ville de Sutton
Introduced by the Member for Richmond on **12 November 2020**, and
Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(61)Bill 215

An Act respecting Municipalité de Nominigüe
Introduced by the Member for Labelle on **12 November 2020**, and
Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(62)Bill 216

An Act to amend the Act respecting the establishment of a special taxation scheme for the Corporation de gestion du port de Baie-Comeau
Introduced by the Member for René-Lévesque on **21 October 2020**, and
Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(63)Bill 217

An Act respecting the objects and powers of the Roman Catholic
Archiepiscopal corporation of Montreal

Introduced by the Member for Westmount–Saint-Louis on **11 November
2020**, and

Referred to the Committee on Labour and the Economy

(64)Bill 219

An Act respecting an immovable located on Rue University in Montréal

Introduced by the Member for Westmount–Saint-Louis on **11 November
2020**, and

Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

Passage in Principle

Passage

IV. Government Motions

V. Estimates of Expenditure

VI. Statutory Debates

BUSINESS STANDING IN THE NAME OF MEMBERS IN OPPOSITION

Part 3

BILLS PASSED

(Bills awaiting Royal Assent)

Bill 67

An Act to establish a new development regime for the flood zones of lakes and watercourses, to temporarily grant municipalities powers enabling them to respond to certain needs and to amend various provisions

Passed on **24 March 2021**

Part 4

PROCEEDINGS IN COMMITTEES

The detailed calendar of the proceedings of each committee is available on the Internet site of the Assembly

[COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY](#)

[COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION](#)

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

- Hearing of the Auditor General of Québec on her 2018–2019 annual management report and financial commitments.
- Hearing of the Secrétariat du Conseil du trésor on the Report on the application of the *Public Administration Act*.
- Hearing of the Public Curator on Chapter 6 of the Auditor General of Québec’s November 2019 report entitled “Protection of Incapacitated Persons Under Public Protective Supervision”.
- Hearing of the Société d’habitation du Québec on Chapter 4 of the Auditor General of Québec’s October 2020 report on housing projects entitled “AccèsLogis Québec Programme: Réalisation des projets d’habitation” as a follow-up to recommendation 2.1 of the 41st report from the Committee on Public Administration.
- Hearing of the Ministère de l’Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques on Chapter 2 of the Sustainable Development Commissioner’s June 2020 report entitled “Eco-Taxation, Cross-Compliance and Eco-Responsibility for a Green and Responsible Economy”.
- Hearing of the Ministère de l’Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques and the Ministère des Affaires municipales et de l’Habitation on Chapter 3 of the Sustainable Development Commissioner’s June 2020 report entitled “Conservation of Water Resources”.
- Hearing of the Ministère de la Famille on its administrative management and financial commitments, as well as on Chapter 2 of the Auditor General of Québec’s October 2020 report entitled “Access to Educational Childcare Services”.
- Hearing of the Ministère de l’Économie et de l’Innovation on its administrative management and financial commitments.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Order of reference

- Examination of Hydro-Québec's Strategic Plan 2020-2024 (Order of reference given on 5 December 2019).

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of public bodies and accountability:

- Examination of the policy directions, activities and management of the Régie de l'énergie.

COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 209**, An Act respecting Ville de Saint-Tite (Order of reference given on 4 December 2019).
- **Bill 214**, An Act respecting Ville de Sutton (Order of reference given on 12 November 2020).
- **Bill 215**, An Act respecting Municipalité de Nominingue (Order of reference given on 12 November 2020).
- **Bill 216**, An Act to amend the Act respecting the establishment of a special taxation scheme for the Corporation de gestion du port de Baie-Comeau (Order of reference given on 21 October 2020).

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of public bodies and accountability:

- Hearing the Commission municipale du Québec.

COMMITTEE ON CULTURE AND EDUCATION

Statutory order

- Hearing the heads of educational institutions at the university level.

COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND THE ECONOMY

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 59**, An Act to modernize the occupational health and safety regime (Order of reference given on 16 February 2021).
- **Bill 217**, An Act respecting the objects and powers of the Roman Catholic Archiepiscopal corporation of Montreal (Order of reference given on 11 November 2020).

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC FINANCE

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 23**, An Act respecting the names and responsibilities of certain ministers and government departments and to enact the Act respecting the Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs (Order of reference given on 19 September 2019).
- **Bill 60**, An Act to amend the Public Service Act and other provisions (Order of reference given on 9 March 2021).
- **Bill 74**, An Act to give effect to fiscal measures announced in the Budget Speech delivered on 10 March 2020 and to certain other measures (Order of reference given on 2 February 2021).
- **Bill 82**, An Act respecting mainly the implementation of certain provisions of the Budget Speech of 10 March 2020 (Order of reference given on 17 February 2021).
- **Bill 219**, An Act respecting an immovable located on Rue University in Montréal (Order of reference given on 11 November 2020).

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

- Quarterly examination of the Government's budgetary policy and of the evolution of public finance.

Interpellation :

- by the Member for Rosemont to the Minister of Finance on the following subject: *The lack of vision in the CAQ government's 2021–2022 budget* (notice given on 18 March 2021).

COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 39**, An Act to establish a new electoral system (Order of reference given on 8 October 2020).
- **Bill 64**, An Act to modernize legislative provisions as regards the protection of personal information (Order of reference given on 20 October 2020).
- **Bill 84**, An Act to assist persons who are victims of criminal offences and to facilitate their recovery (Order of reference given on 4 February 2021).

COMMITTEE ON CITIZEN RELATIONS

Order of reference

Special Consultations:

- **Bill 79**, An Act to authorize the communication of personal information to the families of Indigenous children who went missing or died after being admitted to an institution (Order of reference given on 18 March 2021).

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Part 5

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Questions already placed on the Order Paper
are published each Wednesday

- (221) Mr. Zanetti (Jean-Lesage) – **25 March 2021**
To the Minister of Higher Education

In recent years, several controversies have erupted in Québec due to the absence of chemical validation. A recent example is the fire at a chemical plant in Trois-Rivières that resulted because no chemist was employed by the company.

Despite the fact that almost 3,000 chemists are members of the Ordre des chimistes du Québec (OCQ), it is reasonable to assume that a large number of individuals practise chemistry in Québec illegally and without adequate controls. This phenomenon has dramatically increased in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, in particular with regards to the production of hydroalcoholic gel.

In addition, the professional practice of chemistry has evolved considerably in recent years and today has many ramifications that are not considered in the *Professional Chemists Act* (the Act), currently in effect. The lack of a defined framework for practising a field of biochemistry is also problematic. In this sense, the microbiologists represented by the Association des microbiologistes du Québec (AMQ) recently stated that they wished to be integrated into the OCQ. In order to ensure the independence of the analysis process and the competence of the individuals employed who are responsible for carrying on activities related to the profession of microbiology, it is important that this be supervised without further delay by the OCQ, which already offers to its members the levers and tools required to practise in the field of microbiology.

In addition, within the framework of the consideration of Bill 98, An Act to amend various legislation mainly with respect to admission to professions and the governance of the professional system, the OCQ obtained the support of the Minister of Justice for updating the Act. The Minister, who was a member of the Opposition at the time, had urged the Government in place to proceed with the update quickly.

It is therefore essential that the Act be updated without delay for the good of the Québec population.

Given the above, our questions to the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions are the following:

- In light of this information, will the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions commit to updating the *Professional Chemists Act*?
- If so, within what time frame?

(222) Ms. Montpetit (Maurice-Richard) – **25 March 2021**

To the Minister of Health and Social Services

Regarding Québec's universal hearing screening program:

Screening for hearing impairment of newborn babies is essential in order to quickly identify possible learning disabilities or language disorders.

Considering that in the rest of Canada nearly 95% of newborns are screened, my questions to the Minister are the following:

- At what stage are we in implementing the program in Québec hospitals and birth centres?
- What are the targets by region and what is the timetable for implementation?
- What measures does the Minister intend to put in place to make this screening mandatory for each newborn and what is the timetable?
- Lastly, what percentage of newborns in Québec have been screened in recent years?

Part 6
NOTICES

I. NOTICES PREVIOUSLY GIVEN

Government Bills

Private Members' Public Bills

Private Bills

II. NOTICES APPEARING FOR THE FIRST TIME